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SOAP FROM PINE TAR -- Tirana, Bashkimi, 17 Aug 50

Tirana (Albanian Telegraphic Agency) -- The "Branko Kadija" Soap Industrial Enterprise in Shkoder today began to manufacture soap from pine tar. This new raw material will obviate the use of large quantities of fats.

The tar is obtained by boiling crushed pine wood in special boilers. The wood is crushed in a special machine which was built by the workers themselves.

A by-product of this process is used in the manufacture of shoes and drugs.

Tests have shown that soap made from pine tar is a satisfactory cleansing agent.

TWO FACTORIES BEGUN -- Tirana, Bashkimi, 30 Aug 50

Berat (Albanian Telegraphic Agency) -- Work has begun in the city of Berat on expanding a factory for preserving olives. Thus far, 25 percent of the work has been completed. The factory will begin operation in November.

The construction of a building for the production of raki has begun in Terpan. Forty percent of the work has been completed. The local peasants, who formerly had to take their grapes all the way to Berat to sell them, will be able to dispose of them much more conveniently at the new distillery.

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